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1. Recent investigation of the possibility that WFTU-CTAL organization or operations exist in Chile confirms previous reports that no Regional Workers' Committees operate in Chile under the influence or direction of the CTAL or the WFTU. The Communist branch of the Confederacion de Trabajadores de Chile (CTCH), however, is considered to be the Chilean representative of the CTAL and to receive frequent instructions from the CTAL.

2. [REDACTED] confirms that neither the CTAL nor the WFTU maintains regional offices of any sort in Chile. However, Communist Senator Salvador Ocampo Prestenes is a member of the directive council of the CTAL and, as such, considers himself both the CTAL and WFTU representative in Chile. [REDACTED]

25X1X [REDACTED] a plan exists to establish some sort of a Communist workers' organization representing the southern South American countries, Bolivia, Peru, Chile, Uruguay, Paraguay, and Argentina, with headquarters in Montevideo. Police persecution has reportedly made it necessary for the Communists to postpone putting this project into effect. Nevertheless, since close contact exists between the CTAL and the CTCh Comunista, the latter organization acts as a Chilean CTAL information office. Few items of CTAL propaganda material are received, however, as this organization is not considered an important channel for information or instructions intended for Chilean labor leaders.

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